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JIM TRAFICANT

GEORGE. W. BUSH

Don't Expect Bush to Pardon Traficant Before Leaving Office

By Michael Collins Piper

President George W. Bush has said repeatedly, privately, in the past, that a pardon for wrongfully imprisoned former Rep. Jim Traficant (D-Ohio) is off the table. And it now appears that Bush intends to leave office with Traficant remaining in prison until his unusually long sentence (eight years) ends in August of 2009.

Former Youngstown Mayor George M. McKelvey—a Democrat—made national news in 2004 when he endorsed Bush. He has been urging Bush to grant Traficant either a presidential pardon or a commutation of his prison sentence.

McKelvey has been asking Bush, since 2004—two years after Traficant was sent to prison—to give Traficant his freedom, but the president refuses to act.

For his own part, Traficant has refused a pardon, because to accept a pardon would require that he admit to committing crimes that he says he did not commit.

In a radio interview on December 1, McKelvey pointed out that Traficant is serving a longer sentence than most people convicted on second-degree murder charges, declaring the Traficant case "the greatest injustice in the history of this state."

Homeland Security Chief Michael Chertoff—a hardline advocate for Israel whose mother was a citizen of Israel—was, at the time of the Traficant prosecution by the Justice Department, the head of the department's criminal division and thus the individual who spearheaded Traficant's unjust prosecution.

Critics contend that Chertoff's hostility to Traficant stemmed from the fact that, as Traficant himself said both privately and publicly, Traficant was, in his words, "the No. 1 target" of the Israeli lobby.

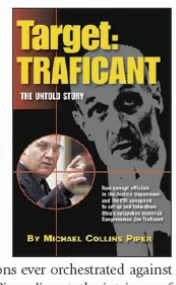
The full, never-before-told story of the corrupt Justice Department campaign to destroy Traficant is told in *Target: Traficant*. (See ad below.)

Another case of Bush's injustice is his refusal to commute the more than 10-year sentences of U.S. Border Patrol agents Jose Compean and Ignacio Ramos, who used firearms in the line of duty, protecting the border.

TARGET: TRAFICANT

The inside story of the frame-up of Congressman Jim Traficant

By Michael Collins Piper



In his new book, TARGET: TRAFICANT, author Michael Piper—whom Jim Traficant has said was the only journalist to tell his story truthfully from the beginning—has assembled this eye-opening overview of the campaign by high-level forces to destroy the no-nonsense populist congressman. The Traficant case represents one of the most outrageous hit-and-run operations ever orchestrated against an American public official. Piper dissects the intrigues of the Justice Department and the FBI and demonstrates, beyond any doubt, that the congressman was absolutely innocent of all of the charges on which he was convicted and that, in fact, the entire criminal case against him was fabricated through and through. If you ever had any doubts about Traficant's integrity, this is the one book that will put all of your doubts to rest. Includes a special appendix outlining the previous Justice Department frame-up of former Pennsylvania State Treasurer Budd Dwyer resulting in his tragic public suicide. *Target: Traficant*, softcover, 176 pages, $25.

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Michael Collins Piper can be heard every week day night live on the Internet at republicbroadcasting.org. He is the author of ***Final Judgment***, the controversial "underground bestseller" documenting the collaboration of Israeli intelligence in the assassination of John F. Kennedy. He is also the author of ***The High Priests of War***, ***The New Jerusalem: Zionist Power in America*** , ***The Judas Goats: The Enemy Within***, ***Dirty Secrets: Crime, Conspiracy & Cover-Up in the 20th Century***, ***The GOLEM: Israel's Hell Bomb***, and ***Target: Traficant.*** These works can be found at America First Books and First Amendment Books: 1-888-699-NEWS. He has lectured on suppressed topics in places as diverse as Malaysia, Japan, Canada, Russia and Abu Dhabi.

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